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Miss Jean Turnbull  
3009 St. Highland Blvd.  
Milwaukee, W.  
It is

Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>  
Dear Jeanne,

I've been so darned  
busy I haven't written,  
but two letters all week.

We're getting sorta  
excited now because  
we only have two  
more weeks left before  
we graduate. I heard  
today quite a few kids  
are getting sent to  
California so I've got  
my fingers crossed.

I just started to  
snow & it's really coming  
down now. It was raining



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and sneezing this morning.  
I've got a ~~killer~~ of a cold  
so I stayed in this  
afternoon.

Do you ever see Keith?  
Did Jim ever come over?  
Do you ever see Harriet?  
I had a nice long  
letter from Blanca the  
other day - she's in  
Columbus, Ohio work-  
ing.

Saturdays around this  
place leave us total  
wrecks. It's all so  
tired by 8 o'clock we're

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ready to go to bed. At six  
o'clock I left the barracks  
on a cleaning detail. I sorta  
got hooked into doing one  
of those volunteer businesses  
where they practically say  
we'll take you, and you & you.  
I was in the middle of  
the squadroom directing  
the calisthenics when  
in trots our Police Sgt.  
~~and~~ wanting about fifteen  
girls. As the word volunteer  
came out she looked directly



at me. He ~~squinted~~ swept  
the whole theatre & move  
every seat. After that we  
had 2 classes, then a big  
Regimental Review & Captain's  
inspection. After dinner we  
drilled for an hour in the  
rain & then took two final  
exams followed by another  
class.

I got a \$20 bill from Doonie  
for Christmas. - Nice, hey?  
Yes, I hope I can get out  
to Dago, L.A. or Frisco. I'd  
sorta like to go to Aviation  
Machinists Mate school. I'd  
learn everything about  
planes and probably learn

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to fly them - at least take them.  
Two weeks from now I'll know  
unless I'm on mess duty.

Say Hi to Heath & tell him thank  
for the Christmas card & maybe I'll  
drop him a line sometime if I have time.

Our uniforms are positively  
wonderful, but we don't have  
handbags yet. Maybe they won't  
get any in at the uniform  
shop so would you ask at  
the Boston Store, Doubleday & buy over  
to Goldfishes - on Wells & 2nd or  
Plankinton. Ask for the "Official"  
Marine Corps U. S. R. Handbag.  
You could give me that for Xmas if  
you wanted to. I don't think they  
cost too much.

I heard about dear little June's  
stubbornness. Have you seen Fuzzy lately?  
How did you think he was? When is he home now?

Write Love, Babbie. Any luck with  
films?